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THE CONDITION OF THE PASTORAL COUNTRY.

IX.—HOMESTEAD LEASES IN THE DRY COUNTRY.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

WALGETT, DEC. 12.

Some hundreds of these new holdings will have been established during the first year of the new land law, and a question of gravity is involved in the successful realization of the principle which they embody.

For nearly a generation the true pastoral settler has been vanishing. The "squatter," or rather the interest which today stands in his place, is often represented by a business man, a dweller in cities, a joint-stock company. A generation ago the squatter was not, on his own run, a mere financial shadow, as he often is now; for he was a real person and an actual settler on the soil. He pushed up every outside creek, and across every frontier plain, generally with a few thousand sheep or a small herd of cattle, and the homestead which he formed very often became a little nucleus of family life and modern civilization.

Under the changed methods of today, due to a complete change of the conditions of the old squatter, are usually found in the position of managers, owners, and drivers; or they are very often excluded from the country life altogether, while the proprietors generally do not know their own estates, and are very often absentees. The course of events is fast drifting us away from the pastoral settlement of the old days, and the modern shape of things portends more of the character of station speculation than anything else.

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With the most of the Board, the Board can exercise, it is expected that at least two hundred homestead leases will be granted. Two-thirds of these will be in the best country of the Western Division, namely, on the northern bank of the Barwon, above Bourke. This is as good sheep country as any in Australia. The soil is far superior to that of the Darling below Bourke. It is all very good, and the water is abundant. The sheep can be grazed on it for three or four years. The contour of the country is infinitely more favourable for water conservation, and the rainfall is, in ordinary years, from 14 to 18 inches.

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The characteristics of the region must never be lost sight of by the homestead lessee. Probably one year in seven they may have a season of luxuriant vegetation, ample water, and the advantage of the river navigation. Other years will be years of drought, with the dry sky, with a few months in each year during which it will need all they can do to keep their stock in paying condition; and the last year will be a certainty a terrible drought like 1877 or 1884, when special foresight is exercised, every drop of water is saved, and the sheep are kept in the best condition possible, so that they may be able to weather the drought.

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I am assuming, of course, that Parliament will grant reasonable security in their improvements to all the Crown tenants, squatters, leaseholders, and so on, and that the principle of the homestead lease is fully recognized, and a homestead is worthless.

If the homestead policy can be successfully realized, then a career long shut to the youth of Australia will be reopened. It will be no longer necessary for the young men of country districts to swarm to the towns to struggle for bills and jobs, and to elope business with unbecoming competition. The life of the sheep and the life of the land, which is the life of the sheep and the life of the land, will be reopened. It will be no longer necessary for the young men of country districts to swarm to the towns to struggle for bills and jobs, and to elope business with unbecoming competition. The life of the sheep and the life of the land, which is the life of the sheep and the life of the land, will be reopened.

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REVIEW.

History of Prices since the Year 1850. By MICHAEL G. MULLALL. London: Longmans, Green, and Co. 1885.

This work forms a valuable addition to the commercial literature of the day. Exhibiting a review of the trade of nations in connection with the rise and fall of prices, its utility as a work of reference is undoubted. It may be inferred from the title that it is largely a work of tables of figures, arranged with the skill of an experienced statistician, and a few diagrams adding to its value. Dealing with the variations of price level in Great Britain and the world, it is shown that 20s. will now buy as much of the world's products as 21s. did in the decade ending in 1851. There was a great rise in prices between 1851 and 1871, in consequence of the American war;—the rise amounting to 24 per cent. from the decade ending in 1850, and 80 per cent. in excess of the prices of 1851-54. But though the price level of British imports was affected to that extent, the price level of the exports fell only 25 per cent., and as Great Britain imported much more than she exported the difference of price level was a gain to the country.

Mr. Mullall points out a defect in the common methods of constructing price levels. Generally, these have been based on index numbers. Starting with 100, the variations of the prices of articles are indicated by numbers. An advance of 2s. on £1 would be shown by 110—a fall of 2s. by 90. But while this is good so far as individual items are concerned, it is obviously defective in the case of the whole. The price level of a country on such a basis must produce very misleading results. The Economist brings out the price level of 1851-54 at 105; Mr. Mullall, 92. In other words, the Economist represents that £105 was required in 1851-54 to buy as much as could be bought in 1845-50 for £100. Mr. Mullall declares that £92 in the latter period would buy as much as £100 in the former. The Economist's conclusion cannot be doubted, because he takes into consideration "the volume of the trade." For instance, if wheat declined 10 per cent., the figure represented would be 90; if wine rose 10 per cent., the figure would be 110. To average these would give 100. But, as the quantity of wheat "in trade" would be much more (say 10 times as much) as the average would indicate, the price level of wheat would be much more than 90, and the price level of wine would be much less than 110. It is remarkable that such a system of gauging price levels should have been practised.

Some of the recent dimensions on the silver question may have created the impression that the quantity of silver in the world has been increasing more rapidly than that of gold, but the contrary is the fact. The value of the gold has increased from £600,000,000 in 1850 to £1,800,000,000 in 1880, while the value of the silver has only grown in value from £1,800,000,000 to £1,500,000,000. Waste has almost been equal to the increase in production. The decline in the value, amounting to no less than 20 per cent. since 1851, is not so much the result of over-production as of diminished use in manufacture, electricity having in great measure superseded it. For coinage purposes the silver has been almost entirely displaced by gold. The value of the silver has only grown in value from £1,800,000,000 to £1,500,000,000. Waste has almost been equal to the increase in production. 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The letter from Sir HENRY PARKES which appears in another column is in some points remarkable as a display of ingenuity; in

And it is an example of that "random talk" the use of which by other people has provoked the writer to comment. The subject under controversy is the comparative extent to which the public lands have been sold under different Ministries. That subject has been brought to the front by the repeated allegations of opponents of the STRAIT AND DUNES Ministries, to the effect that when the former took office there was a surplus of two millions, and that the latter had squandered it. To that the natural answer was, "This surplussimply represented so much land imprudently sold, under circumstances that did not facilitate the sale of settlement." When Sir ALEXANDER STRAIT assumed Government in 1885, one of the first things his Ministry did was to discontinue the sale of country land by auction—the ground that had been before that mode—which had been extensive before—were for the most part the result of endeavours to check instead of promote settlement. We need not inquire at this stage whether this sweeping measure was a wise or an unwise one. It was taken and adhered to; and that fact was sufficient to warrant Sir A. STRAIT and his successor, Mr. DUNES, in meeting all boasting of the surplus on the road of flattery.

decessors in the manner referred to. But then comes Sir HENRY PARKES, with the rejoinder: "During my Administration the average amount of land sales for four years was £1,700,000 per annum, but during the previous three years, when Sir ALEX. STUART and his friends held office, the average was £2,300,000." The ingenuity of this way of putting the case consists in this—the terms "my Administration" and "Sir ALEXANDER STUART and his friends" suggest the idea that in 1870, when the land sales were nearly double what they were in 1878, Sir A. STUART was the head of the Administration. The fact is that Sir JOHN ROBERTSON was at the head of affairs in 1870, and the Ministry which held office from 1878 to 1883, or for the greater part of that time, might have been described as "Sir JOHN ROBERTSON and his friends" with equal accuracy. The application of so peculiar a form of words to the Ministry of 1870 is apparently intended to convict Sir A. STUART of inconsistency, but the attempt fails when the positions he held in the two Ministries are contrasted. In 1870 Sir A. STUART was not in charge of the

Lands; but in 1883 he was not only Premier, he was the Minister who had formulated a land policy on the eve of a general election, and, whether for good or ill, he held a degree of responsibility in connection with the land which he did not hold in 1876. And with his Ministry began the policy of putting a sharp check upon land sales.

On the other hand, Sir HENRY PARKES, in 1878 holding strong but vague views

as to the land, failed on becoming head of a Government to carry them into effect. Speaking at Ashfield, he said: "By a most unhappy operation of the laws as they exist, the land of the country has been sold into private hands, not for the purpose of legitimate settlement, but rather for the purpose of barring all settlement on the lands of the country." But, associated with his

friend Sir JOHN ROBERTSON, he allowed those laws to remain without any such alteration as could materially change their tendency or effect, and he appealed to the people upon a bill that was intended to fix them more securely upon the country than ever. Under these circumstances the reference to the land sales in 1876 under Sir JOHN ROBERTSON neither brings help to Sir

HENRY PARKES' argument, nor confusion to the STUART and the DIBBS Ministries, clever though the manipulation of names may have seemed to be.

But whilst our correspondent charges Sir A. STUART with having (when he was not specially responsible) sold more land than he did, he finds fault with him for having sold none at all when he had a special connection

with this branch of public affairs. "Nothing could be more shortsighted and unstatesmanlike than the sudden and total stoppage of the alienation of land by the STUART Ministry in 1883, which simply amounted to the stoppage of settlement." As we have already seen, the sale of land as before, was according to Sir HENRY not for the purpose of settlement, but rather for the

purpose of barring it. What, then, was the arrest of auction sales but at least a partial raising of the bar? And seeing that in 1883, the revenue from land sales was £968,000, including £424,000 of deposits on conditional purchases, it is not easy to understand what this "total stoppage of alienation" and "stoppage of settlement" can mean. Surely this is "random talk," hardly

Sir HENRY PARKES says that from the cry against his Government a stranger might easily be led to conclude that they had invented some new mode of dealing with the public estate, but that sale by auction was simply inherited with the other machinery of administration. He adds that they did

nothing by lowering the upset price or by creating special facilities, to render the acquisition of land by that mode more easy. This is a very poor excuse to be offered by a Minister who had publicly stated that the land had gone into private hands, not for the purpose of legitimate settlement, but for the purpose of barring it. If he only inherited this deceptive

that it was speedily reformed. To say that no special facilities for its operation were offered is not an answer to the charge that its vicious influence and effects should have been checked. It was not a question of special facilities, but one of special stimulus. The spur to these alienations in bar of settlement was fixed fast in the fundamental principles of Humanism, and his

of the law which our friends failed to remove, and, indeed, undevoured to fix more firmly than before. Any falling off in sales that took place whilst he was Colonial Secretary may be traced to

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danger to life appeared, a young man and girl having died of blood poisoning an hour or two after being stung by bees. In the principal bee-keeping district, Povey Bay, a bee-pest called "foul-brood" has destroyed thousands of hives.—Mr. Ballance, Minister of Lands, is about to offer 160,000 acres of pastoral land in the two islands on perpetual lease.—About £200,000 and a vast amount of prison labour have been expended in the erection of a large gaol in the centre of this city. The citizens were sympathetic about it till Mr. Justice Richmond condemned (from the bench) the building of a gaol in such a situation, and this

that the work may be stopped and the prison removed to another site. The matter is not yet decided, but

*THE WILL OF THE LATE REV. GEORGE
HURST.*

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THE *Admission to the Judgment of Mr. Justice Mullen*

Maori have a reverence for sacred things. In former days, when a chief was about to die, his friends would have placed him in his approaching death would have been known, and all by a flash of lightning and a roar of thunder rolling along the mountain top of his own district. No matter when a chief was dying they always knew of his approaching end, and would always say that such and such a chief would die on such and such a day, and at such and such a place. Friend, the food and clothing are now both very good, but the Maori are dying off rapidly, this is what I have to say to you: if you think well of it, let all vessels that come here be inspected, and if any vessel is found to have any opium on board, it is to be taken away, so that we may not catch the sickness. That is all I leave it to you to judge whether it is right or wrong. "I

The Court of Inquiry appointed to take evidence

The subject was illustrated by several coloured drawings, and by reference to models. Major Rowe, on behalf of the Corps, thanked Lieutenant Cansdell for the very practical and instructive lecture he had given them, and the company was then dismissed.

A forest plot showing the pooled effect size for the comparison of 'No treatment' versus 'Treatment'. The plot features a horizontal line at 0.0, representing no effect. To the left of 0.0, the values are negative, and to the right, they are positive. The x-axis is labeled with values from -0.05 to 0.05. A diamond-shaped point estimate is centered at 0.0, indicating no significant difference between the two groups. The plot is titled 'Forest plot of the pooled effect size for the comparison of "No treatment" versus "Treatment"'.

A PALTAY CUSTOMS SEIZURE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir—A short time since there appeared in your London

but probably when that article was written you were un-

upon put to by running backwards and forwards to the
 station about a number of times in order to try to get pos-
 sessed of the necessary ticket. I was not successful in this
 present, but without avail. Suffice me to point out the
 extraordinary anomaly existing under the present iniquitous
 system Fisheries Act. I send a few dozen oysters to my
 friends from the beds for which I pay an annual rental to
 the Crown, and I find that the same beds and the forebore
 are not, notwithstanding this annual money payment, al-
 lowed to be cultivated on what was a short time since barren
 ground, without being subject to a heavy impost, while
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December 21. PHILIP COLLEN.

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THE MEADS, Burwood Heights, next Saturday. Free tickets for train on application to Watkin and Watkin.

Auction Sales.

ANDREW TOWN'S ANNUAL SALE.
ROBARTVILLE, RICHMOND, N.S.W.
ANDREW TOWN'S ANNUAL SALE
will be held at
ROBARTVILLE, RICHMOND, N.S.W.,
on
THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 1886.

NOTE.—A Special Train will leave Eastern Railway Station on the morning of the sale, at 7.30 a.m., calling at Parramatta, Epping, for which, Catalogues of Stock and all information required, can be obtained from the undersigned.

F. CLIBBON, Agent.

ROBERTS, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.
GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, all lots not specially advertised; and at 12 o'clock, all lots not specially advertised.
Regular sales at the Bazaar daily, and at Camperdown every afternoon. In this department charges moderate and best of force.

SADDLE AND HARNESS HORSE.
GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the owner to sell by auction at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 11 o'clock.
A bay mare, broken to saddle and harness, quiet, stand firm, a good lady's hack.

THREE BOYS' PONIES.
VILLAGE CART PONY.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 11 o'clock.
Three boys' ponies, quiet to ride, and used to children.
A black pony, quiet in saddle and harness, stand firm; would suit a village cart.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.
A black horse, black mare, by The Barb; quiet to ride, and has been in harness, ran second to Parole at Canterbury about 12 months ago.

BEGGIE HORSE.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.
A bay gelding, quiet in saddle and harness, and is a grand buggy horse.

SADDLE AND BUGGY HORSE.
GEORGE KISS has received instructions from G. Collins, Esq., to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A cream mare, quiet in saddle and harness; stand firm, and is a splendid buggy horse.

SADDLE AND HARNESS HORSE.
GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Mr. White to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A bay gelding, 13.5 years, quiet in saddle and harness; stand firm; would suit a village cart or stable.

TO CAMMEN, LIVERY STABLE KEEPER, AND OTHERS.
GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

1 light cab, nearly new, with leather.
2 good springing cab horses, by F. H. H. and stand firm, and are a splendid pair.

TO BREWERS, CONTRACTORS, AND OTHERS.
GEORGE KISS has received instructions from John Curtis, Esq., to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A heavy draught double-gear horse, stand firm, any trial given; would suit a brewer or contractor.

MERCHANTS VAN HORSE.
GEORGE KISS has received instructions from E. A. Pike, Esq., to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A bay gelding, 6 years old, very active; to suit trial.

NEAT BUGGY TURNOUT.
GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A chestnut gelding, quiet and good; also a hooded Angus, a double-headed butcher, in good order.

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GEORGE KISS has received instructions from C. Sweney, Esq., to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A double-headed butcher, in good order.
An English shooting-cart, very strong, with landwound shafts.

TO Private Families and Others.
SPLendid FAMILY TURNOUT.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from W. G. Whiting, Esq., to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY NEXT, at 12 o'clock.

A handsome grey gelding, quiet and staunch in harness; also a hooded butcher, in good order.

A double-headed butcher, in good order.

TO Private Families and Others.
SPLendid FAMILY TURNOUT.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the Secretary of the Highland Cattle Company, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY NEXT, at 12 o'clock.

The right to booths, cake and fruit stalls, etc., for sale, gathering to be held on Association Cricket Ground, on January 1st and 2nd.

TATTERSALL'S ANNUAL MEETING.
1st and 2nd January.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the Secretary, Tattersall's Club to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, on THURSDAY NEXT, at 12 o'clock.

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BROWN BROS. and CO.'S CITY HORSE and CATTLE BAZAAR.

AUCTION SALE OF HORSES AND VEHICLES,
THIS DAY,
at 10.30 a.m.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at their City Horse and Cattle Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 a.m.

8 first-class saddle horses
14 single and double harness horses
2 heavy draught horses

Also,
Several vehicles, and sundry lots of saddlery and harness.

N.B.—Sales held at the Bazaar DAILY at 10.30 a.m., and at Camperdown every afternoon as per arrangement.

FIRST-CLASS SOCIABLE HORSE.
BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from A. Davis, Esq., to sell by auction, at their City Horse and Cattle Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.

A very reliable bay gelding, 5 years old, thoroughly broken to saddle and harness; would suit a sociable or brougham; highly recommended.

BUTCHERS, BUTCHERS, BUTCHERS.
CHRISTMAS REEF. CHRISTMAS VEAL.

CHRISTMAS MUTTON. CHRISTMAS LAMB.
CHRISTMAS PORK.

BROWN BROS. and CO. will offer their Christmas stock at Corporation Stock Yards, Market Street, commencing THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, and continuing TO-MORROW with much more at 10 o'clock.

10 very superior milk cows, with calf at foot, from the Hunter River district.

MILCH COWS. MILCH COWS.
BROWN BROS. and CO. will sell by auction at City Corporation Stock Yards, TO-MORROW, at 10 a.m.

10 very superior milk cows, with calf at foot, from the Hunter River district.

HIGH-CLASS SADDLE AND HARNESS HORSE.
Just arrived from the Richmond River.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from the owner to sell by auction, at their City Horse and Cattle Bazaar, TO-MORROW, at 11 a.m.

A very handsome bay gelding, 5 years, by Promiss, by Midway (imp.), dam by Glauca (imp.), thoroughly broken to saddle and harness; would suit a sociable or brougham; highly recommended.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.
TO STUBMASTERS, HEADS OF FAMILIES, AND OTHERS.

PURE AETHIOPIC CATTLE.
EX HATROTO, due 29th inst.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from Mr. K. B. FERGUSON, DUNEDIN, NEW ZEALAND, to sell by auction, at their City Horse and Cattle Bazaar, TO-MORROW, at 11 a.m.

10 head of pure Aethiopic cattle, comprising 4 pure Aethiopic bulls, and 6 pure Aethiopic cows, by F. H. H. and stand firm, and are a splendid pair.

HOGGIE ABOUT BUCKY.
TWO BOUGIE HORSES.

FOR PRIVATE SALE.
BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from T. ATKINSON, Esq., to sell privately.

A first-class hooded Anglo-bug, nearly new.

ALSO.
Two reliable single harness horses and two sets of silver-mounted harness.

ALSO, ON ACCOUNT OF OWNER.
A very stylish park phaeton, by Abbot, Downing, and Co. in first-class condition.

NEW ZEALAND TROTTER HORSES.
ON PRIVATE SALE.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have at their Bazaar, Cambridge-street,
8 very reliable trotting horses, by F. H. H. and stand firm, imported from Queensland.

INSPECTION INVITED.
T. R. SMITH and T. C. OSBORNE, under instructions from owner, will sell by auction, at 12 o'clock.

2 useful horses, consisting of heavy draught, van, cab, buggy, and saddle horses.
4 spring rigs, 1 pair of harness, 6 new saddles and bridles.

BRUNNER and WOLFE have received instructions to sell by auction, at Corporation Yards, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

100 prime lambs, Messrs. McDonald
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40 prime lambs, Mr. T. Fawcett
20 prime pigs

TER STEAMER.
DEANFIELD BROS. will sell by auction, at City Corporation Yards, THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock.

25 prime fat calves, Geo. Rouse, Esq., Gifford
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WEEKLY LEATHER SALE.
HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN, Limited, will sell by public auction, at their Wool Warehouse, Macquarie-place, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 11 a.m.

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HILL, CLARK, and CO. will sell by auction, at their Wool Warehouse, Circular Quay, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 11 o'clock.

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JOHN BRIDGE will sell by auction, at his Store, Circular Quay, THIS DAY, at 10 o'clock.

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WEEKLY STOCK SALE.

INGLIS' STOCK SALE YARDS, 827, George-street.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Stock Sale Yards, THIS DAY, Tuesday, December 22, at half-past 1 o'clock.

30 extra prime fat calves for the Christmas market, per rail from Dunedon
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WEEKLY POULTRY AND PRODUCE SALE.
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INGLIS' SALE YARDS, 827, GEORGE-STREET.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Sale Yards, TO-MORROW, Wednesday, December 23, at 12 o'clock.

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Chateau Brandy and Sherries, and sweet; Geneva, Schnapps
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